

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Reconsideration and withdrawal of the rejections of the application are respectfully requested in view of the amendments and remarks herewith, which place the application into condition for allowance. The present amendment is being made to facilitate prosecution of the application.

I. STATUS OF THE CLAIMS AND FORMAL MATTERS

Claims 1-29 are pending in this application. Claims 1, 10, and 21, which are independent, are hereby amended. It is submitted that these claims, as originally presented, were in full compliance with the requirements 35 U.S.C. §112. No new matter has been introduced by this amendment. Support for this amendment is provided throughout the Specification, specifically on page 29. Changes to claims are not made for the purpose of patentability within the meaning of 35 U.S.C. §101, §102, §103, or §112. Rather, these changes are made simply for clarification and to round out the scope of protection to which the Applicants are entitled.

II. REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §102(e)

Claims 1-29 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as allegedly anticipated by U.S. Patent No. 6,249,281 to Chen, et al.

Claim 1, as amended, recites, *inter alia*:

“...presenter information management means for managing presenter information in accordance with a depth of use...”

As understood by Applicants, U.S. Patent No. 6,249,281 to Chen, et al. (hereinafter merely “Chen”) relates to a comprehensive system for producing and distributing

on-demand presentations over a network. Specifically Chen is directed to an improved GUI interface for viewing an on-demand presentation within a client-server based system. Applicants submit that nothing has been found in Chen that would disclose or suggest a presenter information management means for managing presenter information in accordance with a depth of use, as recited in independent claim 1.

For reasons similar to or somewhat similar to those described above with regard to independent claim 1, amended independent claims 10 and 21 also believed to be patentable.

III. DEPENDENT CLAIMS

The other claims in this application are each dependent from one of the independent claims discussed above and are therefore believed patentable for at least the same reasons. Since each dependent claim is also deemed to define an additional aspect of the invention, however, the individual reconsideration of the patentability of each on its own merits is respectfully requested.

CONCLUSION

In the event the Examiner disagrees with any of statements appearing above with respect to the disclosure in the cited reference, it is respectfully requested that the Examiner specifically indicate the portion, or portions, of the reference providing the basis for a contrary view.

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In view of the foregoing amendments and remarks, it is believed that all of the claims in this application are patentable and Applicants respectfully request early passage to issue of the present application.

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